

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, May 16, 2018

2:00 p.m. Budget Workshop

3:00 p.m. Board of Education Meeting

Nevada County Superintendent of Schools
Board Room

380 Crown Point Circle, Grass Valley, CA 95945

MINUTES

1. Meeting called to order by Board President Meek.

2. Established quorum

Wendy Baker - present

Shelly Sexton - present

Larry Meek - present

Ashley Neumann – arrived at 2:22 p.m. during Budget workshop

Heino Nicolai - present

3. Budget workshop

Darlene Waddle, CBO, walked the Board through a powerpoint presentation focusing on funding NCSOS's county operations.

County office school funding for Community Court School & Juvenile Court School comes from several sources including a Base Grant; Supplemental & Concentration; funded received per ADA; and lottery.

Waddle also provided a handout summarizing each program which included a detailed account of expenditures; and walked the Board through the handout.

4. Salute to the flag

5. Adoption of the Agenda

Discussion was held to move Agenda Item *14. A. Bitney High School Prep* before Agenda Item *12. Superintendent Report* as Director Russ Jones needs to leave early.

Discussion was held to move Agenda Item *16. C. EPIC de Cesar Chavez* before Agenda Item *12. Superintendent Report* to accommodate Executive Director of EPIC, Rick Alvarez's travel time.

On a motion by Sexton and seconded by Nicolai, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the May 16, 2018 Agenda as amended moving Agenda Item 14.A. before Agenda Item 12; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Sexton and seconded by Neumann, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the May 16, 2018 Agenda as amended moving Agenda Item 16.C. before Agenda Item 12; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

6. Opened public forum – Recognition of members of the audience wishing to address the Board - **no comments**

7. Closed public forum

8. Opened Public Hearing

- A. A Public Hearing will be held by the Nevada County Board of Education to approve a Waiver Request of the California Department of Education. Nevada County Superintendent of Schools District is requesting a one-time extension of the deadline for Per Pupil Apportionment Reimbursement for CAASPP testing 2016-17 Apportionment Information Report for per pupil reimbursement. (page 1)

9. Closed Public Hearing

10. Approval of the Consent Agenda

These items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. They will be acted upon by the Board at one time without discussion, unless a Board member or citizen requests that an item be removed for discussion and separate consideration. In that case the designated item(s) will be considered following approval of the remaining items.

- A. Approval of minutes of the Regular meeting of April 18, 2018 (page 2)

On a motion by Sexton and seconded by Baker, the consent agenda was approved as presented; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

11. Staff Reports

A. Alternative Education, *Lisa Sanford*

Sanford provided a handout detailing population and attendance. EJ continues to be at max capacity. Students are in the midst of CAASPP and CAST testing. Students along with Sierra Presbyterian created a sensory garden. Summer school applications are due June 1st; so far 8 students are interested.

B. Educational Services, *Shar Johns*

i. LCAP Review

Johns continues to work with charters and districts on their LCAP's. NCSOS's LCAP is in good shape.

C. Business Services, *Darlene Waddle*

Waddle is busy working on the Funding Model Bill Back.

D. SELPA/Special Education, *Eli Gallup*

We are looking to have the Funding Model approved soon. Special Ed site development at Williams Ranch, Scotten and Deer Creek is moving along.

(14. Information/Discussion Item) (Item moved here at adoption of agenda)

A. Bitney Prep High School –WASC Official Commission Notification (*page 140*)

Director Russ Jones provided a School-wide Action Plan which was updated following the WASC visiting committee's visit and subsequent report. Jones advised they were not surprised at the report as the school was redefining their school identity. Bitney embraced the Big Picture model, restructuring began. Positive results are being seen in how they are known in the community and input from students and mentors. The Self-study provides an opportunity to dive into where they were and look at the WASC Standards. Staff has attended a Big Bang Conference; Bitney is attracting new teachers with Big Picture experience. Bitney has a great Board; and a great parent council.

(16. Correspondence) (Item C. moved here at adoption of agenda)

C. EPIC de Cesar Chavez – WASC Official Commission Notification (*page 181*)

Rick Alvarez, Executive Director for EPIC thanked the Board for their patience in getting where they are today. Delilah Martinez was instrumental in EPIC receiving the accreditation.

12. Superintendent's Report

A. Charter Schools Update

The Yuba River Charter Board removed Director Ron Charles. Supt. Lay has met with Charles; parents and members of the Board. An interim director is expected to be in place.

Twin Ridges Home Study Charters Director has been removed by the TRHSC Board. TRHSC is looking to move to another facility without the understanding of regulations and needs.

Sierra Montessori Academy hired a new director as Henry Bietz is retiring, there is concern as he has no admin experience.

The Board directed Spt. Lay to issue Letters of Concern to both YRC and TRHSC on their behalf.

B. South County Safety Forum

This past Monday Chris Espedal, Safety & School Climate Coordinator, organized a safety forum for South County. Over 70 emergency personnel were in attendance. Another is being planned this Fall at the NU campus.

C. C & I Director Update

Andrea Marks has been hired as the new Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Accountability effective July 1, 2018.

D. Grand Jury Report – *Safety and Security at Nevada County Schools (page 5)*

Supt. Lay provided the Board with a copy of the response sent to the Grand Jury.

13. Action Items

- A. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve the Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) for the Nevada County Superintendent of Schools Combined Alternative Educational Programs? (*page 23*)

On a motion by Baker and seconded by Neumann, the Nevada County Board of Education approved the Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) for the Nevada County Superintendent of Schools Combined Alternative Educational Programs; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

- B. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve Resolution 18-02, Notice of Election and Specifications of the Election Order for election to be held on November 6, 2018? (Roll Call Vote) *(page 127)*

On a motion by Nicolai and seconded by Neumann the Nevada County Board of Education approved Resolution 18-02, Notice of Election and Specifications of the Election Order for election to be held on November 6, 2018 by roll call vote; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

- C. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve the Notice of Board Member Election to be held on November 6, 2018? *(page 128)*

On a motion by Sexton and seconded by Neumann, the Nevada County Board of Education approved the Notice of Board Member Election to be held on November 6, 2018; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

- D. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve a Waiver Request to be submitted to the California Department of Education requesting a one-time extension of the deadline for the 2016-17 Per Pupil Apportionment Reimbursement for CAASPP testing? *(page 129)*

On a motion by Sexton and seconded by Baker, the Nevada County Board of Education approved a Waiver Request to be submitted to the California Department of Education requesting a one-time extension of the deadline for the 2016-17 Per Pupil Apportionment Reimbursement for CAASPP testing; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

- E. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve rescheduling the November Board meeting from November 14 to November 7, 2018?

On a motion by Nicolai and seconded by Sexton, the Nevada County Board of Education approved rescheduling the November Board meeting from November 14 to November 7, 2018; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

- F. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve the Nevada County Plan for Providing Educational Services to Expelled Students? *(page 131)*

On a motion by Sexton and seconded by Nicolai, the Nevada County Board of Education approved the Nevada County Plan for Providing Educational Services to Expelled Students; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

14. Information/Discussion Items

- A. Bitney Prep High School – WASC Official Commission Notification *(page 140)*
(Agenda item moved at adoption of Agenda - before Agenda Item 12)

15. Board Reports

A. SARB, *Heino Nicolai*

Would like to see students being referred earlier on, as patterns are developed at a younger age; and would like better communication between sites and districts.

B. Legislative, *Shelly Sexton*

SB 1127 – Administration of Medical Cannabis would allow parents/guardians to administer medical cannabis in non-smoking/non-vaping form to their child on school grounds, if the child qualifies with doctor’s recommendation. However, we could lose Federal funding. Legal opinion is being sought.

C. Charter Liaison, *Wendy Baker*

Baker met with Holly Pettitt, Director of Nevada City School of the Arts and enjoyed a great tour of the school facilities.

D. Individual Board Reports

Baker attended Friendship Club Scholarship night. Baker was asked to join the Sierra Nevada Children Services Board and wanted to clarify there would be no conflict of interest. Supt. Lay will look into it.

16. Correspondence

A. Teacher of the Year – NCSOS District: Mickey Vuksinich, Nevada County Special Education at Seven Hills School (*page 178*)

B. Third Quarter Williams Review Report FY 2017-18 (*page 179*)

C. EPIC de Cesar Chavez – WASC Official Commission Notification (*page 181*) – (*Agenda item moved at adoption of Agenda - before agenda item 12*)

17. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: June 13, 2018, 3:00 PM, 380 Crown Point Circle, Grass Valley

Approved: _____
Larry Meek, President

Date: June 27, 2018